

"Bridging the Divide" Medical-Dental Integration Conference

November 13, 2015 in Essex, VT

Primary care is the backbone of the health care system, and is an essential element in health care reform efforts. Our primary care system, however, is only as strong as the interprofessional healthcare teams that educate, diagnose, and treat those in need of care. The professions of medicine and dentistry have very little overlap despite the link between oral health and systemic health (IOM, 2011). This <u>one-day symposium</u> brings together physicians, dentists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, nurses, dental hygienists, expanded function dental assistants, dental assistants, medical assistants, public health professionals, and others to engage in discussion, learn, and collaborate to enhance care and improve health.

The goals of this conference are two-fold: to provide participants with practical, clinically-oriented information that can be readily applied to patient care; and to explore how medical professionals and oral health professionals can learn together and collaborate to improve the overall health of Vermonters.

The day concludes with interactive case studies led by a multidisciplinary panel of professionals. The day will be fast-paced and focused, with plenty of time for discussion.

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